IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE TWENTY FOURTH DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION NO : 26467 of 2001

Between:

Chaithanya Recreation and Sports Club, Gadwal, Rep. by its Secretary, N.Rama Mohan Reddy,
S/o. Jagadeva Reddy, R/o. Gadwal,
Mahaboobnagar District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Superintendent of Police,
Mahaboobnagar, Mahaboobnagar District.
2 The Station House Officer,
Gadwal, Mahaboobnagar District

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ, order or direction, more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents herein in interfering with the lawful activities of the petitioner club and its members, as illegal, without jurisdiction and unconstitutional and consequently direct them not to interfere and harass the members of the petitioner club in any manner, pass such other order or orders as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.S.VENKATESWARA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following :

ORDER:

The petitioner is a Society, which is running a recreation club in the name and style of Chaithanya Recreation and Sports Club, Gadwal. Aggrieved by the alleged interference by the second respondent, the present writ petition is filed praying this Court to direct the respondents not to interfere with the lawful activities of the Club.

A Division Bench of this Court in **Twin Cities Cinema Cultural Centre v. Commissioner of Police, A.P., Hyderabad** while clarifying the judgment of the learned Single Judge, disposed of the matter in the following manner.

> 3. Therefore, the police authorities cannot obstruct the writ petitioner-Club from conducting card room where the members and guests of the writ petitioner's cultural center are allowed to play the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game). At the same time, we make it clear that the police is always at liberty to enter the premises and check as to whether the cultural center of the Club is conducting card room where the members and guests of petitioner's cultural center are playing the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game) for the purpose of verification. If they receive any intimation, the police may enter the club and verify the same and proceed further if the members and guests of writ petitioner's cultural center play other than the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game). The police authorities are also at liberty to proceed with the cases, which are already registered. The writ appeal is disposed of accordingly.

Following the same, the writ petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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(V.V.S.RAO, J)

24.06.2006

vs

To

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